

Golden Bridges 2011 • Massachusetts-Northwest Ireland

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THURSDAY 10 NOVEMBER - 6PM

Reception and Showcase on Northwest Ireland
Seaport Hotel

6:20pm Welcome and Opening

Senator Therese Murray, President Senate, Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Response: **Cllr Noel McBride**, Mayor of Donegal.

6:45pm Panel Discussion with Questions from Floor

Exploiting our Potential to the Full. A Golden Bridge of Research and Innovation linking Massachusetts and Northwest Ireland

Chair: **Sean Moynihan**, VP of Global Partnerships BIBA (Boston Irish Business Association)
Director of International Relations. www.bibaboston.com

Gary Hanley, SVP North America, Invest NI. Gary is the pre-eminent authority on foreign direct investment from the US into Northern Ireland and is based in Boston. www.investni.com

Barry Henderson, Business Development Manager C-TRIC. Clinical Translational Research and innovation Centre, Derry.
C-TRIC is a unique facility promoting and facilitating translational and clinical research in relation to health technologies, medical devices and therapeutics.

Sharon O'Connor, CEO Derry City Council

7:45pm Panel Discussion with Questions from Floor

Northwest Ireland Transformed: Derry: A City of Culture; Donegal: A Creative County

Chair: **Mary Sugrue McAleer**, Executive Director Irish American Partnership

Séamus Neely, County Manager, Donegal County Council.

Shona McCarthy, CEO Culture Company 2013.

Cllr Martin Reilly, Chair Development Committee Derry City Council. Martin is an SDLP councillor on Derry City Council.

Discussion from floor.

8:45pm Closing Address

Inward Investment, Trade and Bridgebuilding Mission to Donegal-Derry 2012 and City of Culture Intervention 2013.

Rep Charles Murphy, Majority Whip, House of Representatives, Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Garvan O'Doherty, entrepreneur and hotelier, Derry.

Garvan has been at the cutting edge of the economic rebuilding of his native city and an advocate for strong actions by government and private sector to maximise the potential of the peace in Northern Ireland.

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FRIDAY 11 NOVEMBER VETERANS DAY

9am University of Massachusetts Lowell Inn and Conference Center.

Business Breakfast hosted by Center for Irish Partnerships UMass Lowell.

Driving Sustainable Tourism and Economic Revitalisation

Dr Frank Talty, Co-Director Center for Irish Partnerships

Cllr Dessie Larkin, Chair Donegal County Development Board/Board Member Culture Ireland

Mitchel McLaughlin, MLA. Member of Finance Committee, NI Assembly

12:00 noon-2:30pm Seaport Hotel, Boston

Fifth annual Golden Bridges Community Awards Luncheon

Honourees include:

Jack Meehan, AOH and Veteran Campaigner for Undocumented.

Pat McDevitt, Winner World Bridge Championships 2010 representing Ireland.

Michael Patrick MacDonald, Author of All Souls.

Art McCabe, Economic Development Manager, City of Lawrence.

Mary Sugrue-McAleer, Executive Director Irish American Partnership.

Susan Whoriskey, Biotechnology Entrepreneur, Whoriskey Associates.

JP Doherty, President County Donegal Association of Boston.

Featuring, Kevin Cullen, Boston Globe in Conversation with Gerry Adams

3pm State House

Gateways to Tomorrow

Roundtable on Next Steps in Sealing Links between Boston and Northwest Ireland.

Hosted by Representative Eugene O'Flaherty, Chair Judiciary Committee,
House of Representatives.



Sr. Lena Deevy from IIC receives her award from Norman Houston of NI Bureau.



Mayor Ray Flynn, Golden Bridge honoree 2010 receives the Dave Burke Award from Patricia Burke.